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## **Dog Bites Person at the Overlook Area in Gambrill State Park near Frederick, Maryland**

A person was bitten by a dog on May 16, 2013 at approximately 7:00 pm at the Overlook Area in Gambrill State Park near Frederick, MD. The biting dog is described as being a tan, pit bull type dog. The biting dog was not leashed and was not wearing a collar. The person approached the dog to pet it and was bitten. The owner of this dog or anyone within the area who has information about the dog or owner's identity is asked to contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544 or Frederick County Health Department at 301-600-1717.

The dog needs to be found so that a 10 day quarantine can be completed to assess the health of the animal. This evaluation is needed to prevent the person bitten from receiving unnecessary post exposure rabies vaccinations.

Animal bites should always be reported to Frederick County Animal Control so that appropriate action can be taken to ensure public safety. If you are bitten or scratched please get contact information from all parties involved. All pet owners are reminded to check the vaccination status of their animals and revaccinate as necessary.

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